

EASTMAN CHEMICAL COMPANY SUBMITS HAZARDOUS WASTE MANAGEMENT PERMIT RENEWAL APPLICATION

The Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation (TDEC) Division of Solid Waste Management (DSWM) received Part A and Part B hazardous waste management permit applications from Eastman Chemical Company, Tennessee Operations (Eastman) for renewal of its current storage permit. This facility (EPA ID TND003376928) is located in Sullivan County at 100 North Eastman Road, Kingsport TN 37662.

Eastman is a privately-owned manufacturer of chemicals and plastics. The majority of the wastes are generated on-site. Some wastes are generated at other sites owned and operated by Eastman. The current permit (TNHW-137) allows six container storage units (Hazardous Waste Storage Units 22-24, 30, 32, and 33) and four storage tanks (Hazardous Waste Storage Units 10-13). No changes are requested in this renewal application.

If renewed, the permit would allow the facility to continue to use the storage units at the current capacities as follows: HWSU-22, 23 & 33 Trailer Pads at 12,000 gallons (gal) each, HWSU-30 Trailer Pad at 6,000 gal, HWSU-24 Storage Area at 4,400 gal, HWSU-32 Storage Area at 27,500 gal, and HWSUs-10, -11, -12 & -13 Storage Tanks at 19,950 gal each.

Solid waste management units (SWMUs) and Areas of Concern (AOCs) at the Eastman facility, including previous or ongoing investigations or corrective actions for all releases of hazardous wastes or hazardous constituents, are addressed in Eastman's Surface Impoundment and Landfill permit, TNHW-155, issued on August 16, 2013. The corrective action conditions of TNHW-155 require that any future and existing SWMUs or AOCs be evaluated for potential releases and remediation, as necessary.

The current hazardous waste storage permit (TNHW-137) became effective September 15, 2008 and is effective for ten (10) years. Tennessee Hazardous Waste Management Regulations require that the facility submit the permit renewal application at least 180 days before the current permit expires. They submitted the Part A and the Part B application on March 22, 2018, thus enabling the facility to continue to operate under the current permit until another permit is issued or denied. Renewal of this permit will allow the facility to continue its operation for an additional ten years.

The facility held a Pre-Application Public Meeting on March 6, 2018, as required by Tennessee Rule 0400-12-01-.07(1)(m) and announced February 2, 2018 in the [Kingsport Times-News](#) and on WTFM 98.5 FM. No comments were received. The public will have another opportunity to comment when DSWM completes its review.

As set forth in the Regulations, a complete permit application, consisting of a Part A and a Part B, must include certain text, drawings and other information adequate to demonstrate that the facility will comply with the various technical and administrative standards applicable to such a facility. Evaluation of the application involves an in-depth review of the application materials by DSWM staff and subsequent correspondence between DSWM and the facility identifying and correcting any deficiencies in the submitted information.

Once it determines the application is complete, DSWM will make a tentative decision to either grant or deny the permit and will issue either a draft permit or a notice of intent to deny the permit. Public Notice will be given of this tentative decision, and the public will have at least 45 days to submit written comments on the draft permit/proposed action. A public hearing, if requested, may also be held to

receive public comments within this public comment period. After considering the public comments received and making any appropriate revisions, the DSWM Director will issue a final permit decision to either issue or deny the permit. A Response to Comments will also be issued at that time.

Electronic copies of the application are available online at tn.gov/environment/notices/eastman/renewal and at the DSWM Central Office on the 14th Floor of the Tennessee Tower, 312 Rosa L. Parks Avenue, Nashville, TN 37243 (615-532-0780). Paper copies are available for review at the Kingsport Public Library, 400 Broad Street, Kingsport, TN 37660 (423-229-9489) and at the TDEC Johnson City Field Office, 2305 Silverdale Road, Johnson City, TN 37601 (423-854-5400).

For further information on the application, contact Keith Harris, Corporate Environmental Affairs, Eastman Chemical Company, P.O. Box 511, Kingsport, TN, 37662 or telephone (423) 229-3926. Information, opinions, and inquiries may be directed to Mr. John Webb of DSWM's Treatment, Storage and Disposal Section throughout the permit review process at the Johnson City Field Office, 2305 Silverdale Road, Johnson City, TN 37601 (423-854-5465), email John.C.Webb@tn.gov or fax 423-854-5401.

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